

Worship to the Glory of God

Sunday, February 16, 2014

8 & 11 am



Faith Lutheran Church

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Saturday Worship & Praise: 5 pm
(Communion 1st Saturday of month)

Sunday Worship: 8 & 11 am
(Communion: 1st & 3rd Sun. @ 8 am
2nd & 4th Sun. @ 11 am)

Sunday School &
Adult Bible Classes: 9:30 am

website: faithnpr.org

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 16, 2014 – 8am & 11am

The Pre-service Music

The Chimes

The Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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The Invocation (please rise)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: All of us have sinned and fallen short of God’s glory.

People: This is most certainly true.

Pastor: But God is really kind, and because of Jesus Christ, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins.

People: Here we stand; God help us! Amen.

Pastor: For freedom Christ has set us free.

People: This is most certainly true.

Pastor: Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

People: Here we stand; God help us! Amen.

Pastor: God sent Jesus Christ to be our sacrifice. Christ offered his life’s blood, so that by faith in him we could come to God.

People: This is most certainly true.

Pastor: For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

People: Here we stand; God help us! Amen.

Pastor: God gave Christ to die for our sins, and he raised him to life, so that we would be made acceptable to God.

People: This is most certainly true.

Pastor: And now, because of our Lord Jesus Christ, we live at peace with God.

People: Here we stand; God help us! Amen.

Pastor: You have been saved by faith in God’s kindness. This is not of your own doing; it is the gift of God.

People: This is most certainly true.

Pastor: This is the true grace of God; stand fast in it.

People: Here we stand; God help us! Amen.

The Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Kyrie (spoken)

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Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

✠ **Hymn of Praise** (sung) *"Built on the Rock"* **645 v 1,2**

1	Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling. Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling, Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed, Longing for rest everlasting.	2	Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love Making our bodies His temple.
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The Prayer for the Day

Pastor: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.** (spoken)

Pastor: *Let us pray... "O God, you have given us all things. We are stewards of your creation. We are witnesses of your love in Christ Jesus. We are sharers of your Word. Keep us always steadfast in faith, courageous in trust, and confident in your promises in Scripture, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever."*

People: **Amen.**

✠ *Please be seated*

The Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his just decrees then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

The New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

¹But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? ⁴For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human? ⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

✠ *In honor of Christ the Light of the World we rise to sing*

All Sing:

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

905 v 2

Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword; Our prayer attend. Come and Thy people bless, And give Thy Word success, And let Thy righteousness on us descend.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

²¹"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your

brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. ²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell. ³¹“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³²But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. ³³“Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.’ ³⁴But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything more than this comes from evil.

Pastor: This is The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

The Greeting *(please turn to someone next to you, or in front, or behind you)*

The Sermon Hymn (all rise) *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”* **656**

The Sermon **“David & Goliath”** **1 Samuel 17:1-58**
*Rev. Gilbert Kuehn,
 Vacancy Pastor*

✠ *Please rise for*

The Nicene Creed (8:00 am) *(back of hymnal)*

The Apostles’ Creed (11:00 am) *(back of hymnal)*

The Gathering of the Offerings (*Please be seated*)

✠ *As the offerings are brought forward the congregation rises to sing:*

✠ The Offertory

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

809 v 1

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

The Prayers (The Pastor will end each petition with *“Lord, in your mercy ...”* and the congregation will respond with **“hear our prayer.”**)

Lord’s Prayer

8:00 am service continues

11:00 am service concludes on page 9

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise. (spoken)

Pastor: It is indeed right and helpful that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” **528 v 1,2,3**

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| 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace! | 2 My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name. |
| 3 Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
’Tis music in the sinner’s ears,
’Tis life and health and peace. | |

The Words of Institution

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

The Agnus Dei

“Lamb of God”

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**All Sing: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

An appropriate personal prayer before receiving the Sacrament can be found on the page opposite the inside cover of the hymnal.

“White grape juice is available; as well as gluten-free wafers”

- ✘ Faith’s statement of faith regarding communion is printed on the reverse side of the Fellowship Card.
- ✘ Those who desire to commune are invited to follow the ushers’ instructions.
- ✘ Receive the bread from the elder either on the tongue or in the hand. Receive the wine either in the individual or the common cup. If you prefer the individual cup, take one from the proffered tray, place the empty cup in the basin as you return.

If you prefer the common cup or chalice, please assist the serving pastor by guiding the cup to control the flow. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.

⌘ Anyone having difficulty walking to the front of the church may sit in the front pew on the lectern side.

⌘ Non-confirmed children will be received at the altar rail for a special blessing.

The Hymn sung during the Distribution *"The Lamb"* **547**

⌘ *please rise for*

Post-Communion Canticle (sung) *"Thank the Lord"* **164**

All Sing: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Prayer **166**

Pastor: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this helpful gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

8:00 am & 11:00 am worship concludes with

The Benediction

The Proclamation

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Closing Hymn *"Jerusalem the Golden"* **672**

Please rise for verse 4

The Post-service Music

Those Serving Today:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

	8 am service	11 am service
Assisting Elder	Mike Muetzel	
Duty Elder	Larry Roach	Lamar Miller
Acolyte	Jessi Smith	Brittany Morrison
Altar Care	Ginny Brown & Muriel Pearce	Edie Knudsen & Debbie Lackey
Lay Reader	Mel Reinstetle	Sue Leader
Audio Assistant	Jonathan Tinker	Bob Behnke
Video Assistant	Mike Muetzel	John Schaerffer
Ushers	Bob & Mickie Ferguson, Mel Reinstetle and Barb Goodhue	Jack Greenlee, Lee Alexander, Marian Malmgren & Ray LaVallee
Flower Angels	Lee & Darlene Alexander	Lee & Darlene Alexander
Fellowship Card Ministry	Tom & Donalee Ogorzelec	Tom & Donalee Ogorzelec
Altar flowers	Are given to the glory of God by Ardys Schoebel in honor of her birthday on February 16 th .	

Our Purpose

The love of Christ compels us to reach out and make disciples who seek the lost, strengthen the weak, and serve those in need while giving glory to God.

Stewardship Sentence: "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in the World and all who live in it." A Steward is a manager of someone else's property. How well do YOU manage God's property?

This Week's Opportunities to Seek, to Strengthen, and to Serve

Monday, Feb. 17 th	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Staff Meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 18 th	9:00 am	Willing Workers in GSH
	7:00 pm	"To Live is Christ" Bible Study - week 5
	7:00 pm	Study of St. John the Apostle
	7:00 pm	Board of Elders Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 19 th	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	Noon	Genealogy Society / CLC
Thursday, Feb. 20 th	7:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous / GSH
Friday, Feb. 21 st	9:00 am	Food Pantry
Saturday, Feb. 22 nd	3:00 pm	Pastor's Information Class
	3:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
	5:00 pm	Worship & Praise Service
Sunday, Feb. 23 rd	8:00 am	Worship
	9:30 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Studies
	11:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion
	12:15 pm	Betty Gauthier Committal Service

A Measure of Our Devotion

February 8 & 9, 2014	
Worship Attendance 2014 (Saturday/8 am/11 am)	37/89/117
Worship Attendance 2013 (Saturday/8 am/11 am)	38/79/112
Sunday Communion 2014	110
Sunday Communion 2013	98
SS / Youth / Confirmation	33
Adult Sunday School and Mid-week Studies	50
Receipts for February 8 & 9, 2014	\$5,448.60

Light the Way Campaign Total	\$5,945.00
Food Pantry Item of the Month	Jelly

ANNOUNCEMENTS: are due to Carole by noon on Tuesday.

- **PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS** continues on Saturday, February 22 at 3pm in the church. Anyone wishing to know more about the Lutheran Church and possibly becoming part of Faith Lutheran should contact the church.
- **A COMMITTAL SERVICE** will be held in our church for long-time member, Betty Gauthier next Sunday at 12:15pm. Her three daughters, Renee, Michelle, and Lycia will be present to receive your condolences.
- **ASH WEDNESDAY IS MARCH 5TH**. We will have two identical Ash Wednesday Communion Services in the church sanctuary at 10am and also 7:15pm. The imposition of ashes will be available for those who wish to participate. There will also be a Lenten Fellowship Dinner served in the CLC starting at 6:30pm.
- **BIBLE STUDIES OFFERED:** We have two studies on Sunday mornings: "To Live is Christ" with Phyllis Miller, and "The Jesus Creed" with Pastor Kuehn. Also on Tuesday evenings there is another offering of "To Live is Christ" led by Phyllis, and a Study of St. John the Apostle, led by Tami Musgrave. Get in the Word.
- **DO YOU HAVE A MISSION PROJECT** or idea that would help our community? Need money to get your mission project started? The Pasco County Chapter 30749 of Thrivent Financial for Lutheran funding is available NOW for the FIRST QUARTER of 2014. Care Abounds in Communities applications for funds can be submitted NOW. Contact Rose Ann Verheyen, Barbara Hahn or Kathy Butler for the applications. So easy, and so rewarding.
- **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK (there are no anniversaries this week):**
Members of the church that are celebrating birthdays this week are:
 (18) Mary Oles (22) Tami Musgrave (22) Bob Wuest